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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/539,877
Applicants: Laura M. ZANIBELLI, et al.
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For: CATALYTIC COMPOSITION FOR THE
UPGRADING OF HYDROCARBONS HAVING
BOILING POINTS WITHIN THE NAPHTHA
RANGE
Group Art Unit: 1764
Examiner: NGUYEN, T.

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Amendment and Request for Reconsideration (5 pp.)

"In re Brown" (9 pp.)

"Akzo N.V. v. International Trade Commission" (23 pp.)

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 19, 2002, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in the present application.

The present invention relates to a process for upgrading hydrocarbon mixtures, which boil in the naphtha range containing sulphur impurities, i.e., by a hydrodesulfurization process with contemporaneous skeleton isomerization and reduced hydrogenation degree of the olefins contained in said hydrocarbon mixtures (page 1, lines 9-14). Accordingly, the present invention seeks to solve the problem of how to obtain naphtha with high octane number together with a low sulfur content. Accordingly, Applicants provide a hydrogenation process used for desulfurization hydrogenate the olefins while reducing the octane number. This